

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary

Application No.

09/942,122

Applicant(s)

KONDO ET AL.

Examiner

Kevin L. McHenry

Art Unit

1725

All Participants:

(1) Kevin L. McHenry, examiner.

(2) Michael Schmidt, applicant's representative.

Status of Application: Allowed

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Date of Interview: 30 November 2004

Time: 2:15 pm

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

103 rejection of action dated 17 June 2004

Claims discussed:

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Prior art documents discussed:

Barber (U.S.P. 4,025,612) & DuBose (U.S.P. 6,013,385)

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

The examiner noted that all claims were allowable except for claim 2 since the prior art, particularly the valve 56 taught by DuBose, read upon claim 2. Agreement was reached to amend claim 2 to overcome the prior art rejection.

Part III.

- ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)